

RECEIVED TUESDAY FEBRUARY 12, 1918

British and U. S. Officials Prepare Impressive Military Funerals for Men Who Died on Torpedoed Transport Tuscania—Heroic Behavior of Troops Reduced Casualties—Forty-four American Bodies Are Washed Ashore.

NO LISTS OF THE DEAD

WASHINGTON, February 8.—Revised figures received from London today indicate that the loss of life on the Tuscania was considerably in excess of yesterday's estimate of 101. The number of missing, it is now believed, will be nearer 200 than 100.

At no time have the official estimates shown a list of missing American officers and men of less than 113. According to the same figures and reports the total loss, including members of the British crew, was 210.

Reason for Discrepancy.

Reports received at the American embassy in London yesterday placed the total casualties at 101 lives, while the British admiralty's estimate was 210. This discrepancy appears to have been due to the fact that the figures supplied to the embassy did not include the missing, of which there are still many.

The committee on public information today made this announcement: "The passenger list of the Tuscania compiled by the war department at the American embassy shows that the vessel carried 2,177 military passengers and two civilian passengers. The military passengers consisted of 111 officers and 2,066 enlisted men."

Much concern has been occasioned throughout the country by the fact that the 10th regiment of engineers with the 10th engineer train of the 12th division, the 10th engineer train of the 12th division, was not listed as having sailed on the Tuscania. The 10th engineer train was.

Great Military Funerals.

Arrangements are being made by British and American officials jointly for great military funerals for the Tuscania's dead, say London dispatches.

The bodies of forty-four of the missing American soldiers already have been washed up on the coast of northern Ireland. Positive identification, however, is believed remote, reports say, because the soldiers were not seen before being buried with numbers or other identifying marks.

War department officials are unable to account for the statement made in some dispatches that the work of the tag men was found on the bodies of forty-four American soldiers washed up on the coast of northern Ireland.

Even if the men had not been assigned definitely to an organization, the tag men would have been able to find out on one side the full name of the soldier, the number of his regiment, the name of his company and his individual number in that company are supposed to be added immediately to the tag of the tag.

The organization commander is held responsible by military regulations for the completion of these tags, the purpose of which is to identify the soldier in case of death. The tag is attached to the uniform as described in the dispatches from abroad.

Go Calmly to Boats.

When the Tuscania was struck by the German torpedo, American soldiers were told calmly to their boats. As they lined up on one side of the deck, with the crew, all Britishers on the other, the national anthems of the Anglo-American allies were played. The lack of panic, facilitated by the work of the British destroyers, which braved danger to rescue the survivors, and the sinking of the liner and taking off the soldiers, the Tuscania remained afloat for hours, due to the efforts of the crew and the second engineer, who stopped the engines when the vessel was hit.

Reports of some survivors that the submarine fell a victim to the swift vengeance of the British destroyers, which sank the submarine, and that the officer had related that the U-boat was destroyed by the British destroyers, and that one pursued the submarine and dropped bombs, silencing it probably for all time.

List Difficult to Get.

Physical difficulties in preparing lists of survivors of the Tuscania, it was said today, at the war department, may delay greatly publication of an accurate list of the lost. The ship's list of the troops on board went down with the vessel. The survivors were landed at various points. Until officers manage to get in touch with them and pick them up, it is impossible to get a complete list of the names of the survivors as they are scattered all over the coast.

There is also considerable difficulty in getting a list of the names of the survivors, although the number may be known. The list of names of the survivors is being compiled by the war department, and it is expected that it will be published in a few days.

Other Reports Awaited.

There are instances in the submarine disasters where crews of ships sent to the bottom have been taken from their boats by outward bound vessels. It is hoped that some of the survivors of the Tuscania will be picked up by such vessels.

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ONE CHASER A DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 8.—The keel of the first of the super-submarine chasers being constructed at the Ford motor plant at Detroit, was laid yesterday. Secretary Daniels today announced. It is expected that the keel of the vessel will be finished every day as soon as operations are in full swing. Several scores of the boats have been contracted for by the navy.

NO TIME FOR LUXURIES.

Selfridge Tells American Merchants This Trade Must Be Drooped.

NEW YORK, February 8.—The retail merchants of the United States were told by H. Gordon Selfridge, the London dry goods merchant, that they would need to realize that the "luxury trade" must cease. He said it would be eliminated abroad long ago. He declared that the necessities of the war must be met, and that the luxury trade must be dropped.

MINISTERS REPORTED PUT OUT OF PETROGRAD.

DOUBT WHETHER U. S. AMBASSADOR IS INCLUDED.

NO WORD SINCE FEBRUARY 2.

WASHINGTON, February 8.—An unconfirmed report that all allied ministers at Petrograd had been driven out by the Bolshevik government and were on their way to the Swedish border, was received today at the state department.

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AMERICAN SCOUTS FACE SOME ENEMY GUNS.

German Battalions Suffer Casualties When Caught by Yankee Artillery Fire.

SENATE COMMITTEE APPROVES REGISTRATION OF YOUNG MEN AT AGE OF 21.

NEW PROPOSAL REQUESTED BY SENATE COMMITTEE TO REGISTER YOUNG MEN AT AGE OF 21.

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SEEK OUT OF THE ROOM, SEE SENATE DEBATE.

MONTHLY FAST DAY TO CONSERVE FOOD SUPPLY.

URGED BY SMOOT IN SENATE DEBATE.

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